ZACA MESA

1979

Santa Ynez Valley
California

MERLOT

Estate Grown

PRODUCED & BOTTLED BY
ZACA MESA WINERY
LOS OLIVOS, CALIFORNIA

ALCOHOL 12.8% BY VOLUME

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This wine is produced entirely from grapes grown at Zaca Mesa and is a blend of 84% Merlot and 16% Cabernet Sauvignon. The blend maintains the varietal identity of Merlot; the Cabernet Sauvignon was added to give a degree of firmness and longer aging potential.

The growing season of 1979 favored the Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon by producing wine with classic varietal characteristics. This is our first release of Merlot bottled as a varietal.

After fermentation, the two wines were aged separately in both American and French oak barrels and then blended together for bottling.

Total acidity 0.55% by vol., pH 3.69.